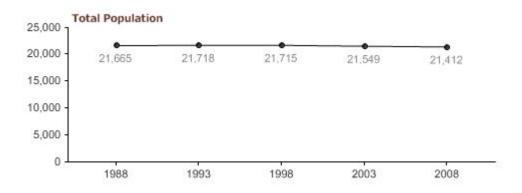
Jay County, IN Highlights

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

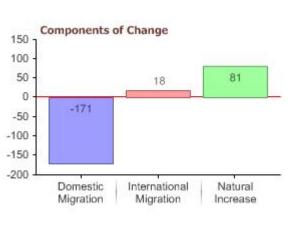
Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	21,665	21,718	21,715	21,549	21,412
Change Since 1988		53	50	-116	-253
Pct. Change Since 1988		0.2%	0.2%	-0.5%	-1.2%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008





Source: US Census Bureau

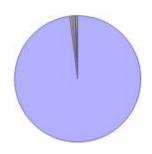
Population Estimates by Age in 2007			
	Number	Pct. Dist	
Preschool	1,486	6.9%	
School Age	4,124	19.2%	
College Age	1.414	6.6%	

Young Adult	5,643	26.3%
Older Adult	5,408	25.2%
Older (65 plus)	3,439	16.0%

Source: US Census Bureau

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	44	0.2%
Asian Alone	157	0.7%
Black Alone	99	0.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	5	0.0%
White Alone	21,082	98.2%
Two or More Race Groups	127	0.6%

Population by Race



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Hispanic or Latino		
Non-Hispanic or Latino	20,904	97.3%
Hispanic or Latino	610	2.8%

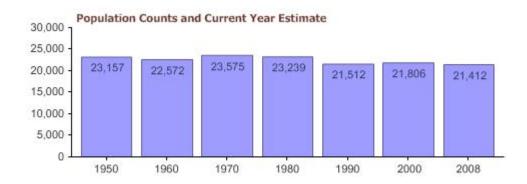
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Households in 2000				
	Number	Pct. Dist		
Total Households	8,405	100.0%		
Family Households	6,016	71.6%		
Married with Children	2,089	24.9%		
Married without Children	2,857	34.0%		
Single Parents	622	7.4%		
Other	448	5.3%		
Non-family Households	2,389	28.4%		
Living Alone	2,087	24.8%		
Average Household Size	2.59			
Average Family Household Size	3.62			

Source: US Census Bureau

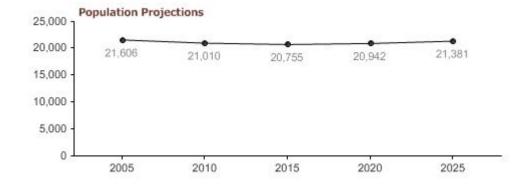
Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate				
	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.	
1950	23,157	NA	NA	
1960	22,572	-585	-2.5%	
1970	23,575	1,003	4.4%	
1980	23,239	-336	-1.4%	
1990	21,512	-1,727	-7.4%	

April 2000	21,806	294	1.4%
2008	21,412	-394	-1.8%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections						
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	
Population Projections	21,606	21,010	20,755	20,942	21,381	
Change Since 2005		-596	-851	-664	-225	
Pct. Change Since 2005		-2.8%	-3.9%	-3.1%	-1.0%	



Source: Indiana Business Research Center